



**Open Space Committee  
Minutes  
Thursday, June 23, 2016, 7:30 pm  
Town Hall Annex**

Present: Elena Bartholomew, Wendy Richter, David White, Joey Glushko, Teresa DeBenedictis, Jane Auger, John Pickle, Ann LeRoyer, Kelsey Cowen  
Absent: Brian Kelder  
Minutes prepared by Jane Auger

Happy Retirement to Joey Glushko!!!

Minutes from May approved with amendments

**Connecting Arlington's Open Spaces**

"Take a Walk, Arlington" Kelsey and Wendy met with Adam Kurowski to develop the map project and interactive web-based app keyed to Town GIS maps. OSC may schedule an ad hoc check-in meeting later in summer to discuss this further. [mapsonline.net/arlingtonma/walkingroutes.html](http://mapsonline.net/arlingtonma/walkingroutes.html) in Beta version. It would be good to have PDFs to be able to print as a large map for Town Day. We might ask Ed Gordon, a historian and guide, to offer a walking tour in East Arlington in the Fall.

**Committee Membership**

Brian's membership approval will be at the next Selectman's meeting on July 18.  
Vision 2020 appointee is still pending.  
Planning Department will appoint a new liaison soon.

**Picture Post Project**

3 new posts put in at the Reservoir with on-going pictures being taken. To help publicize the project, an article should be planned for the Arlington Advocate; perhaps an ACMI feature? Facebook post?

**Open Space and Recreation Plan (2015-2022)**

We continued discussing development of a tracking process to monitor action items and track accomplishments; perhaps look at the Master Plan matrix for ideas? Wendy will try to get this for us to review by the fall meeting. What types of information should be tracked?

**Other news**

Reservoir water chestnut cleanup going well with Mystic River Watershed volunteer help and mechanical harvesters arranged by DPW.

Magnolia Park Project -- Dawn Redwood tree (planted in 1985) at Magnolia Park will not be removed for now. Con Com issued a permit vis a vis other park improvements in the flood zone, but the tree situation will be revisited at the next ConCom meeting July14 after clarification...

A conservation restriction at LexFarm, next to the Reservoir, will protect the land for farm use. CR to be held by Mass. Farm Bureau Federation.

Adjourned 9:05pm

**2016 Meeting dates**

September 22, October 27, November 10, December 8